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Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c) U.S. Application No. 09/613,426

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1, and 4-21 are all the claims pending in the application. In the September 29,

2004 Advisory Action, the Examiner addressed Applicants' arguments to distinguish the present

invention from the cited art. In particular, the Examiner stated that the feature of the present

invention allowing a response to a plurality of requests from a plurality of devices

simultaneously was not recited. Applicants have amended the claims to more clearly define

this feature, and respectfully submit that the claims distinguish over the cited art for the reasons

discussed in the July 28, 2004 Response.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed

to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the

Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is

kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue

Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any

overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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